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Dear Friend:

Over the past several weeks there has been much concern expressed regarding the State Water Resources Control Board's (SWRCB) unveiling of AB 885 proposed septic-tank regulations. As you know, these new requirements would mandate that septic tank owners have their tanks both pumped and inspected every five years with a cost of up to \$925.

I have been contacted by hundreds of constituents on this issue, and I greatly appreciate your taking the time to communicate your thoughts and concerns. As a result, I have just introduced legislation – AB 268 – that will repeal this one-size-fits-all regulation. I want you to know that I will continue to do everything within my power to see that these costly regulations are not imposed upon hard working Californians.

Now is the time for you to make your voice heard. My legislation will be heard by the Assembly Committee on Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials in the coming weeks. It is important that members of the committee hear from you, so they know first hand how costly the current regulations will be for your family or business and why they should vote to pass my AB 268. Taking a few moments to e-mail or call committee members and letting them know your concerns could make a difference in helping my legislation to pass. Please call your friends and family in these districts and ask them to call their legislators, too.

For your convenience, I have included committee members' contact information below.

In addition, I urge you to visit my website at www.asm.ca.gov/Gaines where you can stay up-to-date on the status of AB 268 and all of the legislation I have introduced, sign up for my e-newsletter and get contact information for my offices.

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Again, thank you for your interest and support in this matter. My staff and I are here to serve you. Please don't hesitate to contact my office if we may be of assistance.

Sincerely,

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Assemblyman, 4th District